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(C) Danish MFA Burma Section Head Kasper Thams Olsen told us August 7 that Denmark remains among the EU's most vocal advocates for a tougher line on Burma. Olsen also noted that all parties in the Danish parliament are united in supporting the current Burma sanctions regime. Olsen cautioned, however, that the Danes are not confident that new EU sanctions are in the offing. Olsen made specific reference to France's EU Presidency as an unlikely moment to push for additional EU sanctions, citing previous French resistance to clamping down on Burma's oil sector. Olsen thanked us for ref information on new U.S. sanctions, commenting that Denmark found it helpful that the U.S. was being careful to not take steps that might impede humanitarian NGO efforts post-Nargis.